

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

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From: Commanding Officer, Naval Station Everett

To: Parents and Staff

Subj: NAVAL STATION EVERETT CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER'S DRINKING

WATER

Encl: (1) Complete Test Results

1. The Navy is committed to maintaining safe drinking water on its installations. Our drinking water distribution system is regularly tested for lead and is in compliance with the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Lead and Copper Rule and the Safe Drinking Water Act.

- 2. Lead exposure is a particular concern for children. Lead in drinking water typically comes from the plumbing inside buildings including lead service lines, fittings, solder, water fountains/coolers or water faucets. The Navy policy requires we test the drinking water lead content in priority areas such as youth centers (YCs), child development group homes (CDGHs) and child development centers (CDCs).
- 3. I am pleased to report that we received the results of recent water testing of Naval Station Everett CDC and all drinking water intended for consumption, to include drinking water and water intended for cooking or washing, is at or below the Navy lead screening level of 10 parts per billion (ppb).
- 4. Navy environmental personnel conducted this testing at the Naval Station Everett CDC following Navy policy. Samples from various locations in the CDC were sent to a state-certified laboratory for analysis.
- 5. We also tested other sinks used for washing. These fixtures were also below screening levels for lead in schools and childcare centers. In all, 52 samples were taken and tested.
- 6. A copy of all test results is enclosed for your information. You can also see a hard copy of our water testing results at the Naval Station Everett CDC, which is open Monday to Friday (5:45am-6pm).
- a. To learn more about lead in drinking water in schools and childcare centers visit the following EPA website: https://www.epa.gov/ground-water-and-drinking-water/basic-information-about-lead-drinking-water.

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- b. To learn more about the installations public water supplier, see their annual water quality report: https://www.everettwa.gov/Archive.aspx?AMID=49.
- 7. While lead in the drinking water at these facilities is below the Navy screening levels for schools and daycare centers, if you have any health-related questions or concerns about lead exposure, you are encouraged to contact your health care provider or if you are a TRICARE beneficiary, use the TRICARE West Region Appointment Center to schedule an appointment with your primary care provider at 888-TRIWEST (874-9378).

Sincerely,

S. M. WUTHIER

Captain, United States Navy

Commanding Officer